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Madrid, October 17. N. S.

THE King of *Spain* has been ill again these last 4 or 5 days, his Fever being returned, and having had several Fits of it; But they say His Majesty is better to day. The Queen is pretty well, recovering strength daily. The Heer Van *Citters*, Ambassador from the States-General of the *United-Provinces*, died here the 12th Instant of a violent Fever; his Body was Embalmed in order to be sent to *Holland*. The Count *de Harrach*, Envoy Extraordinary from the Emperor, arrived here some days ago by the way of the *Groyne*. They write from *Barcelona*, that the Spanish Galleys were returned into that Port; They went out to look for the French Galleys, and found them near *Palamos*; The Spanish Galleys lay by for them 4 hours, but the French avoided an Engagement by making the best of their way in for the Shoar; Soon after there came up a strong *Levant*, which hindred ours from following them; Several of our Galleys have sustained damage by the Weather, and the *Capitana* lost her Main Mast; The Duke of *Nacra*, who commanded our Galleys, has gained much Honour upon this Occasion. The Letters from *Cadiz* of the 27th past say, the *Beake*, *Cloudesly*, and *Trumbull* Galleys, were arrived in that Port from *England*, the *Mumford*, and *Three Brothers*, who came out in their Company, are arrived at *Malaga*; and the *Richardson* went directly for *Barbary*. The Armies in *Catalonia* are retired to their Winter Quarters. The Moors are still before *Ceuta*, the positive Orders of *Muly Ismael* obliging them to continue the Siege notwithstanding the great Losses they have sustained, and the little progress they have hitherto made in it.

Corunna, October 27. The Ship called the *Revenge*, laden with Pilchards, and bound to *Naples*, having lost her Main Mast at Sea, was driven into a Bay not far from hence, and in great danger of being lost, but with timely assistance got off, and was brought into this Port the 22th Instant, where she refitted, and is now ready to proceed on her Voyage with the first opportunity. The *Spanish-Allyance* Pacquet Boat arrived here the 25th Instant in 5 days from *Falmouth*, and brought in with her a French Ship laden with Sugars from *Martenico*.

Kinsale, October 16. On the 14th Instant arrived here His Majesty's Ship the *Weymouth*, Capt. *Jumper*; and the *Shoram*, Capt. *Constable*, from cruising; as also the *Muscovy-Merchant* Storeship from *Bantry*. And yesterday came in His Majesty's Ship the *Thunderbolt*, with several Merchant Ships under her Convoy from *Plimouth*. All the Merchantmen now in this Harbour, bound to *England*, will sail with the first fair Wind, under Convoy of several Men of War.

Dublin, October 22. It has blown very hard here these last two days at S. W. and yesterday the Storm was so violent, that it overset a Ship in the Harbour; another lost her Masts; Two Gabbords drove out to Sea, in one of which was but one Man, and a Boat with 3 Men was cast away coming ashore. His Majesty's Ship the *Dover Prize*, who is in this Harbour, has received no damage that we hear of.

Pembrooke, October 23. The 20th Instant sailed out of *Milford-Haven* the 3 Merchant Ships that lately arrived there from *Barbadoes*. Several *Barbadoes* Ships bound to other Places continue in this Port.

Falmouth, October 22. Two Dutch Privateers called the *King William* and the *Courteen* of *Flushing*, are come into this Port, having within a short time taken 7 Prizes, 3 whereof were laden with Fish from *Newfoundland*. Yesterday came in the *Spanish-Alliance*, in 3 days from the *Groyne*.

Plimouth, October 23. Yesterday arrived here a Merchant Ship, *Charles Barrett* Master, in 6 weeks from *Barbadoes*. He came from thence with 17 Sail of other Ships, 3 of which are gone up *St. George's Channel*, and the other 14 passed by this Place yesterday for the *Downes*, by whom we have an Account of the Death of Colonel *Russell*, Governor of that Island. Here is likewise come in the *Friends-Goodwill* of *London*, from the *Barbadoes*. This day arrived here His Majesty's Ships the *Bonadventure* and *Seaford*, with the *Dering* Frigat, from *Hudson's* Bay; where they re-took *York* Fort (which was taken by the French some time since) the same being surrendred on the 3d of the last month, upon Articles concluded between Captain *Allen*, Commander of the English Ships then in the River *Hayes*, and Monsieur *de la Forest*, Governor of the said Fort; The chief of which are, That all those